

2021-2022年高一上半年期中联考英语试卷完整版（河北省宣化第一中学、张北县第一中学）

1. 阅读理解

King Midas used to love gold. One day he met a fairy who allowed him to make a wish for something. The king replied at once, "I love gold. I want everything I touch to change into gold". "Very well, tomorrow morning, everything you touch will turn into gold." Saying this, the fairy disappeared. The king waited excitedly till the next morning. To his joy, everything he touched changed immediately into gold. "I'm the richest man in the world now," he shouted.

Soon Midas became hungry. He sat down at his table. All the foods and drinks turned into gold in his hand. "I'm dying of hunger," he cried.

Just then his daughter came running in. "Why are you so sad, dad?" she asked, putting her arms around him. There and then she became a golden statue. The king loved his daughter very much. Seeing this, he began to cry. He looked up and suddenly saw the fairy before him. "Don't you like the golden touch?" asked the fairy. "Please take it away," begged the king, "and give me back my daughter." "Well, you have learned your lesson. Go and wash in the river. Then the golden touch will be gone." The king ran quickly to the nearby river.

【1】The fairy allowed the king to make a wish because \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. She wanted to teach the king a lesson
- B. she hoped to make the king the richest in the world
- C. She loved gold too
- D. She wanted to turn the king's daughter into gold

【2】When the foods and drinks turned into gold the king was \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. excited B. worried
- C. hungry D. happy

【3】The king's daughter became a golden statue when \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. she saw her father
- B. the king went to meet her
- C. the king loved her very much
- D. she put her arms around her father

2. 阅读理解

Most of us know about the Nobel Prize, especially the Nobel Peace Prize, but few of us know anything about the man who set them up. His name was Alfred Nobel. He was a great scientist and inventor himself. Besides, he had a big business. His business may surprise you. He made and sold explosives (炸药). His companies even made and sold weapons (武器). Isn't this something that surprises you? The man who made money from weapons should set up the Peace Prize?

Though Alfred Nobel had a lot of money from weapons, he hated war. He hoped that there would be no war in the world. He was one of the richest in Europe. When he died in 1896, he left behind him a lot of money and his famous will. According to his will, most of his money was placed in a fund. He wanted the interest (利息) from the fund to be used as prizes every year. We know them as the Nobel Prizes. The Nobel Prizes are international. Alfred Nobel wanted the winners to be chosen for their work, not the country they came from.

Alfred Nobel had given his whole life to his studies and work and to the benefits of mankind. He made